



## ***Drug Recognition Evaluator Training May 17-27, 2010***



The use of Drug Recognition Evaluator (DRE) is an effective means of identifying and prosecuting drug impaired individuals. DREs in police work have gained acceptance and approval throughout the United States primarily due to their accuracy and effectiveness. The DRE training consists of two interconnected phases:

### Classroom Instruction

72 hours of classroom training include but are not limited to the following subjects:

- Standardized Field Sobriety Tests Review
- 12 step evaluation
- Seven categories of drugs
- Physiology of drugs
- Examination of vital signs and eyes
- Resume preparation
- Report writing
- Classifying a suspect
- Alcohol as a drug
- Drug combinations
- Case preparation and testimony
- Define drug, as a DRE

### Field Certifications

Within 6 months of completed classroom instruction the student will be scheduled to complete four days of field certifications. By this phase, the DRE student has been given ample knowledge of the signs/symptoms of drug influence and how to establish the degree and source of impairment. During the field certification phase, these skills are applied in actual enforcement situations. i.e., examining persons under arrest for drug impairment.

### Qualifications

Students must have current peace officer status. This course is an advanced drug influence training course. Students **are required** to have previous training in NHTSA Standardized Field Sobriety Testing. Additionally, students should possess an active interest in removing the drug impaired driver from the road.

### Application

All training materials will be provided. The classroom portion of the DRE program is certified by California P.O.S.T. under Plan IV, and many agencies may apply to P.O.S.T. for reimbursement. Successful completion of both classroom instruction and field certification will result in California DRE Certification and International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) DRE Credential.

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